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Positions

Assistant Professor of Sociology
Department of Sociology/Anthropology
2022 – present

Education

New York University: New York, NY
PhD in Sociology of Education, expected May 2022
Dissertation: “Beyond Intersectionality: Centering the Sociocultural within the Colonial Using LGBTQ Palestinian Lived Experiences”

New York University: New York, NY
MPhil in Sociology of Education, May 2020

University of Cincinnati: Cincinnati, OH
Master of Arts in Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies (WGSS) – May 2016

Ben Gurion University: Beer Sheva, Israel
ESL Teaching Certificate – June 2014

Brown University: Providence, RI
Certificate in Philosophy and American Studies, Fulbright – May 2012

Ben Gurion University: Beer Sheva, Israel
Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Literatures and Linguistics – July 2010

Research and Teaching Areas

- Gender and sexuality
- LGBTQ issues in Education
- LGBTQ Social Movements in the Middle East and North Africa
- Decolonization, Cultural Studies, and Critical Development
- Palestine and Israel
- Intersectionality
- Diversity and Inclusion

Publications

Book Chapter

El Amoor, Izat. "Queering Their Honor." In *Negotiating Spiritual Violence in the Queer Community*, pp. 43-50. Information Age Publication, 2019.

Peer Reviewed Journal Article

El Amoor, Izat. "Closets and institutions: Queer Teacher Exclusion in the Israeli High School System". *Sexualities* 22, no, 5-6 (2018): 883-900. 2018

Film Review

El Amoor, Izat. "Sick Fantasy of Angels Dreaming of Healing". Film Review of 'Angels in America'. *Qadita Magazine*. November 30, 2010. In Arabic.

Op-Eds

"As Netflix puts gay characters in Arabic show, can pop culture queer representation make LGBT rights more mainstream?". February 2, 2022. [The New Arab](#).

"For Queer Palestinians Like Me, Intersectionality isn't Working". November 11, 2021. [Haaretz](#).

Forthcoming (accepted for publication)

Journal article: June 2023. "The Biopolitical Concert: Utilizing Music for Queering the Egyptian Social and Political Uprising". *Journal of Resistance Studies*.

Works in Progress

El Amoor, Izat. "Between the Anticolonial and the Sociocultural – A Critique of The Palestinian Queer Movement".

El Amoor Izat. "Steering Palestinian LGBTQ Life: The Absence of the Family-Focused Work in the LGBTQ Palestinian Struggle".

El Amoor, Izat. "Fears and Dreams: Three Decades of LGBTQ Lived Experiences in Palestinian Schools".

El Amoor, Izat. "From Exclusion to Outsider Inclusion: Education as a Tool for Assessing Changes in Palestinian LGBTQ Life".

Teaching Experience

Hendrix College: Department of Sociology/Anthropology

- Courses Taught: Introduction to Sociology
Sociology of the family

New York University: Department of Applied Statistics, Social Science, and Humanities

- Graduate Instructor, New York, August 2016 – 2022

Courses Assisted: Global Culture Wars (5 semesters)

Introduction to U.S. Education: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives

Political Issues in International Education (graduate level)

Comparative Politics, Education, and Conflict (2 semesters)

University of Cincinnati: Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

- Graduate Instructor, Cincinnati, OH, August 2014 – May 2016

Courses Assisted: Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies

Courses Taught: Human Sexuality

Brown University: Center for Language Studies

- Fulbright Visiting Instructor, Providence, RI, August 2011-May 2012

Courses Taught: Arabic Level 400

Courses Assisted: Arabic Level 300

Arabic Level 100

ORT Educational Network: Um Batin High School, Bedouin-Arab Sector, Israel

- English Language Teacher, August 2009-June 2011

ORT Educational Network: Abu Krinat High School, Bedouin-Arab Sector, Israel

- English Language Teacher, August 2012-June 2014

- Program Coordinator, English Access Microscholarship Program, August 2012-June 2014

Professional and Community Service

Heart of a Nation

- Advisory Committee Member – November 2021 – present

The Times of Israel

- News Translator and Editor. June 2017 – 2022

Fulbright Israel

- Fulbright FLTA Program Selection Committee – 2018-2020

University of Cincinnati:

- Center for Community Engagement
Graduate Assistant – May 2016

- Action Research Center
Research Assistant – May 2016

- Diversity and Inclusion Plan Board
Research Assistant – June 2016

Grants and Fellowships

- 2020 Mada al-Carmel Arab Center for Applied Social Research Doctoral Dissertation Grant (\$1500)
- 2020 NYU Global Research Initiatives Fellowship, in support of my dissertation research (\$7000)
- 2019 International Society for Language Studies Conference Travel Grant (\$1000)
- 2019 NYU Student Conference Travel Fund (\$500)
- 2017 ASH Professional Development Fund award (\$500)
- 2016 UC Graduate School Graduate Student Fellow Award (\$2000)
- 2016 UC Graduate Student Government Association Travel Award (\$500)
- 2015 Department of Women's Gender, and Sexuality Studies Summer Research Fellowship Grant (\$1000)
- 2015 Charles Phelps Taft Research Center Enrichment Award (\$2500)
- 2011 Fulbright FLTA (Foreign Language Teaching Assistant) Fellowship, Brown University (\$25,000)

Conference Presentations

- 2022 "Between the Anticolonial and the Sociocultural - A Critique of The Palestinian Queer Movement," the Eastern Sociological Society Conference, Boston, MA, March
- 2019 "Queering Their Honor," the International Society for Language Studies Conference, Hong Kong, June.
- 2019 "Queers of the Night: Queering the Egyptian and Social and Political Uprising Through Music," the Eastern Sociological Society Conference, Boston, MA, March.
- 2017 "Closets and Institutions: Queering Exclusion in the Israeli High School System," Comparative and International Education Society (CIES) Conference, Atlanta, GA, March.
- 2015 "Homonationalism and Pinkwashing in Israel/Palestine - Queer Tactics of Traversing Colonialism and Gaining Recognition," National Women's Studies Association Conference, Milwaukee, November.
- 2011 "Teaching All Three: Trilingualism in the Israeli-Arab Sector," FLTA mid-year conference, Washington DC, December.

Invited Presentations & Talks

- 2020 “Life in Two Worlds: Palestinians of Israel,” Invited lecture, University of South Carolina Aiken, April.
- 2019 “What Does it Mean to be a Palestinian Citizen of Israel,” Workshop, Tufts University, Medford, MA, April.
- 2019 “Mirroring Israel’s Homonationalism through Education,” Invited Lecture, Rutgers University, April.

Special Training

- 2020 Mada al-Carmel Arab Center for Applied Social Research Doctoral Candidate Seminar, Haifa, 2019-2020.
- 2018 Education and Social Reform in South Africa Research Seminar (LGBTQ-Focused), Cape Town and Pretoria, South Africa, July-August 2018.
- 2011 Fulbright Arabic FLTA Pre-Departure Orientation, Istanbul, Turkey, July.

Languages

Fluent in Arabic, Hebrew, and English.

Field Experience

Israel, Palestine, South Africa.

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association (ASA)
Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
Comparative and International Education Society (CIES)
National Women’s Studies Association (NWSA)
Eastern Sociological Society (ESS)
International Studies Association (ISA)

Reference Contacts

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